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6 Attorney's Docket No. MS1-470US
7 Title: Game Control Device Having Genre Data

8 **DECLARATION FOR PATENT APPLICATION**

9 As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

10 My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to
11 my name.

12 I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed
13 below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the
14 subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention
15 identified above, entitled "Game Control Device Having Genre Data"

16 This application in part discloses and claims subject matter disclosed in my
17 earlier filed pending application entitled "Mapping Input-Device Functions to
18 Software Application Input Commands" which was filed January 14, 2000, having
19 application serial number 09/483,113.

20 I have reviewed and understand the content of the above-identified
21 specification, including the claims.

22 I claim benefit under Title 35, United States Code, § 120 in connection with
23 said earlier filed application.

24 I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to
25 patentability as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, § 1.56(a), including
 any information which became available between the filing date of the prior
 application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application.

PRIOR FOREIGN APPLICATIONS: no applications for foreign patents or inventor's certificates have been filed prior to the date of execution of this declaration.

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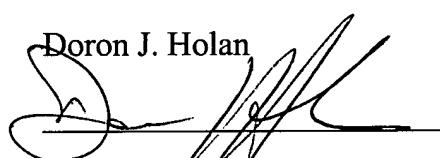
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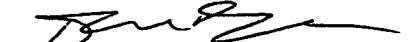
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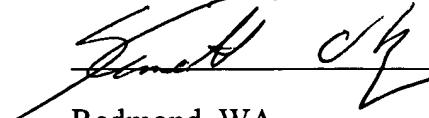
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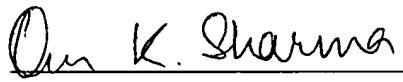
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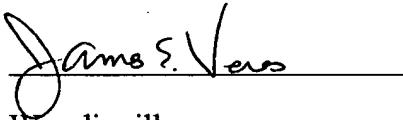
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